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Minutes of the House Standing Committee
on
Education Reform

Thursday, February 22, 2018

9:00 a.m.

Room 521 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Education Reform was called to order by Representative Tim Kelly, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby. (15/15)**

The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of February 15, 2018 as printed.

Representative Noble moved to adopt the minutes of February 15, 2018, as printed. There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 5526.

HB 5526 (Kelly) Education; school districts; letter grade system for ranking public schools; establish.

Imani Harris and Helena Lazo, representing 482 Forward, a citywide education organizing network in Detroit, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions followed.

Caroline Liethen, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Department of Education, addressed questions from a committee member.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Lisa Hansknecht, Director of Government Relations and Pupil Services for Oakland Schools;

Peter Spadofore, Associate Executive Director for Government Relations for the Michigan Association of School Administrators;
Martin Ackley, representing the Michigan State Board of Education;
Kathleen Merry, Executive Director, Legislative Affairs for Wayne RESA; and
Patti Tremblay, Director of Government Relations for Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators;
Barbara VanSweden, President of Macomb County Association of School Administrators; and
Andrew Neumann, representing the Michigan Education Association.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in support, but did not wish to speak:
Alexa Rae Malesky, Public Policy Coordinator for the Grand Rapids Chamber;
Lindsay Case Palsrok, Senior Director of Government Relations for the Detroit Regional Chamber;
Tony Daunt, Director of Operations at the Michigan Freedom Fund; and
Eileen Weiser.

Emily Laidlaw, representing the Education Service Agencies Legislative Group, stating she did not wish to speak, but is neutral on the bill.

The Chair laid before the committee Senate Bill 727.

SB 727 (Pavlov) Education; teachers; interim teaching certificate; modify certain criteria.

The Chair explained and offered a (H-2) substitute for Senate Bill 727

Representative Hornberger moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) for Senate 727.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby, (14/15)

Nays: None. (0/15)

The substitute was adopted.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not want to speak:

Robert Brooks, representing Teachers of Tomorrow, and
Paul Liabenow, Executive Director of Michigan Elementary and Middle Schools Principals Association.

Representative Lilly moved to report Senate Bill 727 with the recommendation that the substitute (H-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby, (15/15)

Nays: None. (0/15)

The bill and substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4084.

HB 4084 (Tedder) Education; teachers; reading disability diagnostics course requirement for professional certification; eliminate.

On February 1, 2018, the committee adopted a (H-2) substitute for House Bill 4084.

The Chair offered the (H-5) substitute for House Bill 4084.

Representative Lilly moved to adopt the substitute (H-5) for House Bill 4084.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby, (15/15)

Nays: None. (0/15)

The substitute was adopted.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Bob Kefgen, Director of Government Relations for Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals;

Peter Spadofore, Associate Executive Director for Government Relations for the Michigan Association of School Administrators; and

Emily Laidlaw, representing the Education Service Agencies Legislative Group.

Representative Lilly moved to report House Bill 4084 with the recommendation that the substitute (H-5) be adopted and that the bill then pass.

The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:

Yeas: Representatives Kelly, Hornberger, Crawford, Garcia, Roberts, Alexander, Griffin, Lilly, Noble, Reilly, Zemke, Brinks, Chang, Camilleri, and Sowerby, (15/15)

Nays: None. (0/15)

The bill and the substitute were referred to Second Reading.

There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Noble moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 9:26 a.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

Tim Kelly, Chair
House Standing Committee on Education Reform

Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

Date approved by the committee